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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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FOR:	INFORMATION REPRODUCING METHOD AND INFORMATION REPRODUCING APPARATUS	

Enclosed are:

- 15 sheets of formal informal drawings.
- Transmittal of Japanese application 2003-372885 to claim priority date of October 31, 2003.
- An assignment of the invention to Hitachi., Ltd. and Hitachi-LG Data Storage, Inc.
- An Information Disclosure Statement
- An Executed Declaration.
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